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<b>UTILITY PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL</b> <small>(Only for new nonprovisional applications under 37 CFR 1.53(b))</small>		Attorney Docket No. <b>63427-0284</b>	
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		Title <b>EQUALIZING CONNECTOR FOR MULTI-CORD ARCHITECTURAL COVERING</b>	U.S. PTO 10/680634 100703
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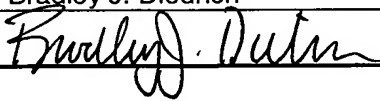
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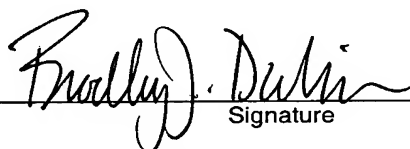
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